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From Miſt's Weekly Journal, June 15.

THEY write from Compeigne, that the young Monarch is arrived there, where he intends to ſojourn for ſome Time during the Congreſs at Soiſſons. At his Entrance into the City, there was no Speech made to him, with which he ſeemed well pleaſed.-- A Circumſtance that perhaps may check the Progreſs of Flattery; and it is hoped that ſome other Countries that uſually take their Cuſtoms from France, and where that Diſeaſe is ſwelled up to a Tympany, which every now and then breaks out into ſomething very naufeous, may be alſo cured by the Example.

From Bruſſels we learn, that the Actions of the Oſtend Company continue very high, for which ſeveral Reaſons are aſſigned; firſt their late Sale amounted to more than was expected; next, they are buoy'd up with a Belief, that the Trade will continue under ſome Limitations, and the Company has appointed two Deputies to go to Soiſſons, to take Care of their Intereſt during the Negociations there.

From Berlin they write, that the King of Poland and Prince of Saxony, are entertained with feaſting and other Diverſions; Couriers have arrived from ſeveral Courts in Europe, and 'tis ſaid, that one from Vienna brought the Emperor's Approbation of the Negociations lately tranſacted betwixt the two Kings. It is obſerved that at the Arrival of every Expreſs, the King of Pruſſia holds a private Conference with the King of Poland, and ſo great a Harmony is eſtabliſhed betwixt them, that the Proteſtant Religion, which uſed in ſome Countries to ſerve as a Word to raiſe Money upon, and had like not long ſince to have raiſed War betwixt Poland and Pruſſia, is now never talked of at Berlin.

London, June 15. It was obſerved, that on Monday laſt, being the Tenth of June, there was a great ſcarcity of Colliflowers at a certain Market, not far from Soho, which is laid to the Charge of a French Gentleman, once in the Commiſſion of the Peace for Weſtminſter, who being accuſtomed to viſit the Market annually upon that Day, happened to ſee a Basket of that Kind of Food, which by the Beauty of the Colour, he miſtook for *white Roſes*; and being moved by his Zeal for the Proteſtant Religion, he commanded them to be ſeized by the Conſtable to be ſent home, with ſtrict Orders to his Maid to condemn them to boiling Water, and ſowſe them afterwards in melted Butter; which Sentence being executed upon the *diſaffected Coliflowers*, the Market Women conſtantly hide their Coliflowers upon that Day.---- I relate this Piece of Hiſtory only to prove the wiſe Saying,-- *That Juſtice is ſome time blind.*

There has not been a Seſſions at Guildhall lately, without a Trial for *Criminal Converſation*; at the laſt, a Sea faring Man proved his Wife a Whore, and to have had a Child in his Abſence; but not having ſued the Right Perſon, he was caſt himſelf, and ordered to pay Coſts, upon which he is gone to Sea for a Remedy.

On the other Hand, there has not for ſome Time been a Seſſion at the Old Baily, without one or more being tried for having two Wives, and laſt Week one Paſcow was committed to Newgate for the ſame Crime, as alſo a Woman for having two Husbands; and an old Man of Chatham for a Rape.

Prince Frederick will be in England by Auguſt or September, to hunt with his Majeſty in Windſor Foreſt; and the late King's Servants who were diſcharged, will be taken into his Service.

The South Sea Ship Prince Frederick, detained ſo long by the Spaniards, is expected home in September. This South Sea Company is hiring Ships to carry on their Trade again with the Spaniards, but 'tis hoped, not at the old Rate.

This Day there is to be a Meeting at Fulham, of ſome of the 260 Commiſſioners for building a new Bridge over the River, when they are to conſider of Ways and Means. And we hear there will be

be a a Subſcription propoſed, and that ſome Stock-jobbers will give their Attendance for improving the Scheme.

From the St. James's Evening-Poſt, June 15.

Charles Town, South Carolina, March 22. An Expreſs came down laſt Night from our Army at St. Auguſtine, and brought News that they had killed 32 Yamaſſec Indians and a Friar, and wounded ſeverals; That they burnt their Town, and made the Spaniards quit theirs and retire into the Caſtle, from whence they fired about 300 Guns upon our Army, but did no Damage. At laſt they ſent to know their Sentiment; who anſwered, that they wanted the Yamaſec Indians that were in the Caſtle. They made Anſwer, That they could not deliver them up, being the King of Spain's Subjects. At length our Army retired, after having been there 3 Days, and brought 15 of the Yamaſec Indians Priſoners, The Governor of St. Auguſtine wrote 3 Letters to our Governor, That he would reſtore all Damages. Our Army conſiſts of 100 White Men and 100 Indians.

From the Evening Poſt, June 15.

London, June 15. There are various Reports in Town concerning the King of Spain; ſome ſaying that he is dead; ſome, that he has again Abdicated the Crown; others, that he has ſettled a Regency, at the Head of which the Queen his Conſort preſides, but that his Majeſty ſtill reſerves to himſelf the Supreme Power. All which is nothing but Conjecture; however, it has been mentioned in the Foreign Papers, That the Council of Caſtille aſſembled 3 or 4 times of late in an extraordinary Manner, but on what Account was not mentioned.

From the London Evening-Poſt, June 15.

London, June 15. A Commiſſion has been ſent over to Thomas Robinſon, Eſq; at Paris, to take care of the Britiſh Affairs during the Abſence of his Excellency Horatio Walpole at the Congreſs.

From the Poſt Boy June, 15.

Petersburg, June 1. We are fitting out 2 Fregats in all Haſte, to go to Kiel and fetch the Corpſe of the late Dutcheſs of Holſtein, in order to be interr'd among her Anceſtors.

Bruſſels, June 21. According to Advices from Soiſſons, the Congreſs was not to be opened, properly ſpeaking, till Yeſterday, becauſe then they were to go firſt upon Buſineſs. The Engliſh Ambaſſador Mr. Walpole is to reſide with the Court at Compeigne, and to go over now and then to aſſiſt at the Conferences at Soiſſons.

Hague, June 22. The King of Poland and the Electoral Prince of Saxony ſet out the 12th Inſtant from Berlin upon their Return.

London. June 15. A Gardner at Hoxton, having on Tueſday laſt waited on the King and preſented him with a large Bunch of black ripe Grapes of an extraordinary Size and Goodneſs, his Majeſty was pleaſed to order him a handſome Gratuity.

From the Whitehall Evening Poſt, June 15.

Viena, June 9. The Deputies of the Proteſtants of Hungary having in an Audience of the Emperor, laid before him their Grievances from the R. Catholicks, his Imperial Majeſty had the Goodneſs to promiſe them, to ſend Orders to the Diet of Presburg to cauſe Matters be put on the ancient Footing. Prince Alexander of Wirtemberg, Governor of Belgrade, has alſo Orders to ſhew Favour to the Proteſtant Families ſettled in his Government, and to grant them Permiſſion to build Schools and Churches. The Emperor has demanded of the Diet of Hungary 450,000 Florins more than the ordinary Subſidies.

Sarum, June 11. On the 4th his Majeſty's Plate of 100 Guineas was won by a Horſe of the Duke of Bolton.

London, June 13. On Thurſday Night laſt Orders were given for a Camp of 300 Men to be formed at Hampton Court.

From the Flying Poſt, June 15.

Hamburgh, June 11. Several Veſſels from the E. Sea are arrived in the Sound, among them ſome from Revel and Nerva; the Seamen of moſt of the Ships unanimouſly report, That at Revel, Cronſlot and Petersburg they continue to fit out with great Diligence ſeveral Men of War and Fregats. The like Preparations are alſo making on the part of Sweden at Carelſcroon. The King of Denmark has repeted his Orders to Admiral Scheſted, to haſten the Equipment of the Sea Armament, and to keep all the Sailors near at hand who are to ſerve on board the Fleet. His Royal Highneſs the Duke of

of Holſtein-Gottorp is ſtill at Rhinbeck, and by his Reſident in this City, has excuſed himſelf from receiving the Preſent of Wine and other Refreſhments which our Magiſtrates intended for to make him, as it is the Cuſtom to do to Princes who come into this Neighbourhood, becauſe he deſired to be every where Incog.

Rothemburg, June 9. On the 27th paſt arrived here M. De Forcia, Envoy from the Duke of Bourbon. The 29th the Marriage-Articles between the Duke and the Princeſs Caroline, 3d Daughter of the Landgrave of Heſſe-Rhinfels, were drawn up, and the 30th were ſent to France to be ratified. The 20th Inſtant Prince Alexander, Brother to the Princeſs, is to eſpouſe her as Proxy for the Duke. This Princeſs is a perfect Beauty, middle Stature, well proportioned, aged 13 Years and 10 Months.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, London, June 18.

Since our laſt arrived a Mail from Holland, and one from France.

WE do not know yet the Sentence of the Court Martial againſt Johnſon the Soldier, who has not according to the Accounts given in the publick Papers, been able to make good any one of his Allegations.

Next Week a Court of Verge will be held in Weſtminſter Hall, for the Trial of Stephens, the Perſon who aſſaulted and abuſed, as mentioned in one of our former, Kingſmile Eyre Eſq; Secretary to Chelſea Hoſpital.

Yeſterday about 7 in the Morning, a Soldier of Collonel Kirk's Regiment, was ſhot to Death for Deſertion on Black Heath. We hear ſeveral others are taken up for the like Crime.

'Tis thought, and not without very good Reaſon, that the Forces will be kept up till ſuch Time as the Congreſs at Soiſſons, on which the Eyes of of all Europe are now fixed, ſhall be brought to the wiſht for Concluſion, of which we think there can be no doubt, all Parties having unanimouſly agreed to abide by what ſhall be decided therein.

Mean Time People wait with great Impatience for the Arrival of the next Mail, to know what Foundation there was for the Reports that have been ſpread touching the King of Spain. Some who argue for them, pretend, amongſt other Things, that his Majeſty's ill State of Health, had rendred him weak and unable to bear the Adminſtration of the Government; but the laſt Letters from Madrid which were of the 2d Inſtant, ſaid that he had then more Vigour in Body and Mind, than he had before his laſt Fit of Sickneſs. South Sea Stock, which had fallen on Account of the above Report to 104, is now up to 105 3 4ths.

'Tis wrote from Paris, That the Speech which Count Zinzendorf made at the Opening the Congreſs, was in Subſtance, That the Conſent of the Emperor his Maſter for holding the Congreſs, was a Mark of the ſincere Deſire of his Imperial Majeſty to procure the Peace of Europe; That his Imperial Majeſty was well ſatisfied with the Care of Cardinal de Fleury to facilitate a Work ſo ſalutary as that of a general Pacification, and that he hoped his Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty would continue to co-operate for effecting ſo great a Work; and added, That he could not do better than refer himſelf to the Advice of a Mediator whoſe Sincerity was ſo well known.

The Cardinal de Fleury, in his Speech, ſignified among other Things, That the Meeting of the Aſſembly was to accommodate all the Differences, and to remove every Thing that might tend to a Rupture; That it was not in queſtion to limit the Dominions ſo extended of certain Powers, but to pacify the Troubles cauſed by Jealouſy; and recommended Moderation in the Accommodation of reciprocal Grievances; adding, That it was convenient the Demands made by one Party be communicated to the other to anſwer; and in caſe they cannot be able to accommodate theſe Demands by amicable Negociations, the Miniſters of the Powers who are not directly intereſted therein, ſhould employ their good Offices for an amicable Accommodation, and that the Anſwer upon each Matter, ſhould be delivered on the one Part and one the other, on the Part of all the Allies.

The next Mail from Holland may probably give us the Speech of the Plenipotentiary of Spain, which for certain Reaſons is much deſired. Mean-while that of the Cardinal's muſt ſilence thoſe who have been ſo much employed in raiſing Jealouſies, particularly in relation to Gibraltar, &c.

The 5th Inſtant the Chevalier de St. George ſet out for Parma.

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On the 6th the Thoulon Squadron put to Sea to go and bombard Tunis.

According to private Letters the Plague is broke out in all the Iſlands of the Archipelago, carrying off an infinite Number of People.

We hear Dr. Chamberlain died laſt Night of the Gout in his Stomach.

'Tis ſaid the Princeſs Emilia has given ſeveral hundred Pounds in Charity during her Stay at the Bath.

From the Evening Poſt, June 18.

London, June 18. We hear that 3 or 4 light Fregats are to be put in Commiſſion for the Coaſt and Plantation Service; and that Edward Aſhe, Eſq; is to be made Governor of Barbadoes.

Yeſterday The Earl of Radnor ſet out for France.

Count Bothmar ſet out this Day for Hanovr.

From the Poſt Boy, June 18.

London, June 18. The Reports inſerted in ſeveral of the News-papers about the King of Spain's 2d Abdication, are grounded upon no Reality; there not being any Account come from the Government of Spain with Particulars thereof.

There are ſeveral Officers viewing the Ground on which the Camp near Hampton Court is to be formed, in order to the pitching Tents there.

From the Whitehall Evening Poſt, June 18.

Hague, June 22. The long Abode of the Turkiſh Aga at Stockholm, and the frequent Conferences he ſtill has with the Swediſh Miniſters, ſound Alarm to the Courts of Vienna and Moſcow; particularly to the latter, who pretend to have diſcovered, that the Aga's Buſineſs is not altogether what he gave out upon his firſt Arrival, to wit, to ſolicite Payment of the Subſidies furniſhed by the Porte, during the late Heroick King's Reſidence at Bender; but that it is chiefly for to animate the Swedes into a Rupture with the Czar: To forward which he does not ſtick to aſſure them, that the Grand Signor and Sultan Eſref will infallibly join their Forces againſt him.

Dublin, June 1. Laſt Week there was a Whale came aſhore at Erris in the County of Mayo, being the largeſt that has been ſeen in theſe Parts, the Jaw-bone of it 22 Foot long.

London, June 18. A Commiſſion is paſſing the Seals, appointing Sir Andrew Hume, Sir Walter Pringle, Sir Gilbert Elliot, Mr. James Erskine, and Mr. Andrew Fletcher, to be a Court of Delegates in Scotland, for the Sale of the forfeited Eſtates there, which are unſold, and are veſted in the Crown.

Edinburgh, June 24, On Friday laſt his Grace the Duke of Hamilton ſailed from the Firth for Holland on board one of his Majeſty's Yatches.

Yeſternight the Route came to Town for the March of Major Gen. Grove's Regiment; accordingly 4 Companies are this Day to march from Canongate to the South.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

†|†† These are to give notice, That there having been a Roup of the Lands of MEIKLEDALE, and MEIKLEDALEHOPE, lying in the Pariſh of Ewes, and Shire of which belonged to the deceaſt William Elliot of Arkleton, carried on before the Lords of Council and Seſſion, and whereof the Day for the Sale was appointed, after Letters of Publication, ſome more than a Year ago; but could not, thro' occaſion of Differences among the Creditors and others claiming Right to the Lands, be got Rouped: But all theſe Difficulties being now removed, the Day of the Roup, by Prorogation, comes to be on the ſecond Tueſday (being the Tenth Day) of July next; at which Time the Roup will certainly proceed. Whoever has a mind to purchaſe, may be at Edinburgh the ſaid Tenth of July, in Perſon or by their Doers.

† The Sale of the Lands after mentioned is put off to the Twenty-eighth Day of June current, at 3 a clock after Noon, in the Parliament-houſe, viz, The Lands of *Craigenhall* and *Over-hill-houſe*, of yearly Rent, L. 767, 13 04 Scots, 22 Bolls 3 Firlots 3 Pecks Meal, 5 Stone 3 Pound Butter, 3 Stone 8 Pound Lint; holden Feu of the York-Building Company for Payment of 10 Pounds Scots Feu-duty: Alſo the Lands of *Eaſter Craigs*, and others, of yearly Rent, 61 Bolls Meal, L. 640 of Money, 3 Stone 4 Pound of Butter; holden of the Crown, partly Blanche and partly Taxtward: As likewiſe the Lands of *Redburn*, paying of yearly Rent, L. 120 of Money, and 3 Quarters of Butter, holden of Barbachlie for Payment of L. 2 of Feu-duty, and L. 2 of dry Multure. Which Lands, &c. ly within the Pariſh of Torphichen and Sheriffdom of Linlithgow, within 15 Miles of Edinburgh; and which Rentals are by and attour Hens, Poultry, Coals leading, a convenient little Manſion houſe at Craigenhall, and the Privilege of holding Fairs at the Craigs. Any who has a mind to purchaſe, may enquire at George Livingſton, one of the Depute clerks of Seſſion, or Alexander Mitchel, Writer to the Signet, at his Houſe at the Bank-cloſs Head, Lawn-market.

Nota. The Lands holden of the Crown were formerly expoſed at 24 Years Purchaſe, and the Lands holden of Subjects, at 23: But now both will be expoſed at 22 Years Purchaſe.

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